

Local Items

All About Our Town And Its People

Mrs. Lem Tower was an Ionia visitor Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Frick was an Ionia visitor Thursday.

Mrs. Etta Worden was an Edmore visitor Saturday.

Mrs. E. J. Walsh was an Ionia visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Dell Cobb spent Saturday in Greenville with relatives.

F. A. Washburn was in Grand Rapids Saturday on business.

Mrs. F. W. Howard was a Grand Rapids visitor Saturday.

Mrs. Flora Thompson went to Fenwick Saturday to visit a few days.

Mrs. Ray McArthur of Grattan was a Grand Rapids visitor last Friday.

Lem Skellenger went to Detroit Saturday to visit a week with relatives.

Boy Scouts' military rain coats at \$4.98 to \$9.98. J. P. Presley, phone 53.

Mrs. Nicholas Gotting spent Friday and Saturday with relatives in Stanton.

Miss Lizzie Wilson went to Greenville Friday to visit a week with relatives.

Miss Goldie Casner went to Sidney Friday for a few days' visit with friends.

S. D. Winslow of Edmore spent Sunday at the home of his nephew, C. S. Moore.

Mrs. C. W. Bignell of Palo is spending this week at the home of G. O. Bignell.

Miss Reva Bolster went to Chadwick Thursday to visit a week with her parents.

Mrs. Alfred Moore and two children spent Saturday with her parents in Greenville.

Mrs. Rufus Stevens of Scottville was the guest of Mrs. Hattie Dean over Sunday.

Geo. N. Foster spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of his son, Glenn, in Bay City.

Miss Velma Warren went to Howard City Friday to visit a few days with friends.

Mrs. C. W. Quick left last Friday for a week's visit with relatives at Saginaw and Flint.

Miss Marjorie Hilton went to Fremont last Friday to visit a few days with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Darling and son Carlton were Grand Rapids visitors Saturday.

Miss Florence Monroe of Ionia came Friday to visit a few days with Miss Lucy Price.

Miss Grace Rocky spent Friday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Claude Brockway in Ionia.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Francisco spent Thursday and Friday of last week with relatives at Sheridan.

Lynch & Weeks loaded a car with cattle and hogs in Greenville Monday for the Detroit market.

Misses Stella and Bessie Humphrey of St. Louis visited at the home of Frank Sandy over Sunday.

Mrs. George Reese went to Ionia Saturday to visit a week at the home of her brother, Wm. Jeffery.

Mrs. S. D. Williams of Stanton spent Friday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Del J. Ford.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Wilson and daughter, Veva of Flint visited Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quick Thursday.

John W. Cooper is putting a new roof on his tenant house at the corner of Division and South Bridge streets, recently vacated by Mrs. Evangeline Brisby and family.

Thin-haired readers of this issue should begin using Parisian Sage and thus escape baldness. Wortley & French sell it on guarantee to stop falling hair and cure dandruff and itching scalp or money back—adv.

Mrs. Fred Hadley and son Glenn left Thursday for a few days' visit with relatives at Ionia and Lansing.

Mrs. John T. Noble went to Lowell Thursday to visit a few days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lyle Denick.

Mrs. R. B. Strong and son, Art, returned home Wednesday from a few days' visit with friends in Detroit and Flint.

Mrs. Frank Wood went to Grand Rapids Thursday to visit a few days at the home of her brother, Don Caverley.

Mrs. Wm. Wilder went to Portland Thursday to visit a few days with her daughter, Ruth, who is teaching school there.

Mrs. Lydia Moore went to Battle Creek Friday to visit two weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Leona Norris.

Mrs. Estella Cooper and daughter, Stella, spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Eunice Shannon in Ionia.

Mrs. Kate Sloan of Superior, Wis., returned home Monday after visiting three weeks with Mrs. Albert Rich of Orleans.

Fred Rowley of Greenville returned home Friday after visiting a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Rowley.

Mrs. Mildred Slack and daughter, Eunice of Grand Rapids visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Lowry, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Neelands and son, Frank, of Rosebush, visited at the home of Frank Loomis in Orleans over Sunday.

Mrs. Mary E. H. Coville went to Lansing Thursday to attend the annual meeting of the Michigan Press association.

Mrs. Mary Penny and little granddaughter, Rosamond Penny, went to Ionia Saturday to visit a few days with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Luscombe went to Barryton Friday to visit a week at the home of their daughter, Mrs. S. E. Dean.

Sylvanus Dean of Barryton visited his sister, Mrs. Jas. Avery and with Mr. and Mrs. John B. Luscombe, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Evert Meyers of Blanchard visited at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. Delia Wright, a few days last week.

Mrs. Maria E. Giles of Chicago returned home Saturday after visiting a few days at the homes of P. H. Roe and Jas. Griffin.

Mrs. Chas. Skanes and two children of Flint returned home Friday after visiting a few days at the home of her mother, Mrs. Delia Wright.

Mrs. N. Hoople and daughter, Della of Grand Rapids, returned home on Thursday after visiting a few days at the home of John Donovan.

Last Saturday Wm. J. Clarke received five cans of wall-eyed pike fry from the state hatchery at Comstock Park, for planting in Long lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rivenburgh of Flint returned home Thursday after visiting two weeks with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rivenburgh.

Mrs. Fred Thompson and daughter, Winifred of Otisco, went to Camp Custer Thursday to see a soldier friend who was about to leave for Florida.

Charles Webster went to Edmore on Saturday to visit a few days at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lucy Pixley. From there he will go to Lakeview for Decoration day.

Mrs. Hazel McHale, who has been working in Lansing, came home on Friday to visit a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis, before going to New York city where she will join her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Darling of Detroit, motored up Saturday morning, to make arrangements for moving their household goods to that place.

They returned by auto on Sunday after having spent the short time in greeting and meeting friends.

STATE TROOPS
WARMLY PRAISEDGOV. OF UTAH RIGIDLY INSPECTS
MICHIGAN CONSTABULARY AT
EAST LANSING.

HOME TROOPS HELD AS MODEL

Organization of State Constabularies
Serves to Keep Our Industrial
Troubles to a Minimum.

Lansing, Mich.—Michigan's State Constabulary, or as it is officially known Michigan Permanent Troops, at their East Lansing post, were rigidly inspected and warmly praised recently by Simon Bamberger, governor of the state of Utah.

Not only did the governor of the Mormon state compare the Michigan men to the Pennsylvania constabulary, the pioneers in the field, but he also commented at considerable length upon the wisdom of the Michigan officials in the establishment of the constabulary some months ago.

"If you hadn't organized such a body of men" he put it, "you undoubtedly would have had a lot of industrial trouble in your industrial cities and in the copper and iron mining districts. And I am told you have had practically none at all."

After inspecting the barracks and those of the troops who were in East Lansing, accompanied by Col. Roy C. Vandercrook, Governor Bamberger discussed in detail his ideas as to state constabularies.

"We have some peculiar situations in Utah" said he, "and we are aware that before very long we must have a state constabulary. And I propose to model it in many ways after your Michigan organization, a portion of which I have seen here today. Possibly it will not be necessary for us to have as large an organization as you have right at the start, but we can use your system and have our barracks arranged much as you do."

"At present we have two companies of regular army men at Camp Douglas. They have been used to keep down any disorder we may have. We have larger smelters in our state, with a population around them much as you Michiganers have in your copper and iron countries. You know what that means—you are sitting on a possible volcano all the time. So far the government has been very kind to leave the two companies with us, but recently in Washington I was informed that it would not be long until the government would have to send the soldiers for intensified service overseas. Then we will have to have a constabulary, for our National Guard is gone."

"Little thought has ever been given the idea of a state constabulary in Utah until very recently. Nevada has a small force of 25 men, while California has one of larger proportions now in process of organization. The governor of Nevada told me not long ago that he did not know what might have happened in his state this winter had it not been for the constabulary."

"Not long ago, too, in a conversation with Governor Brumbaugh, of Pennsylvania, he told me that the 110 mounted men the state now had scattered over it, were worth infinitely more than the 15,000 temporary militia which have been organized and constantly drilling. I cite both of these governors merely to show that the constabulary idea is now considered the best plan a state can have for home protection. We intend to have one in Utah, and I will not have to wait for the legislature to meet next spring to organize it, either. Under our laws, I can organize it myself."

"While there have been complaints, and I suppose always will be, about the cost to the state and the taxpayer where a permanent force of constabulary is maintained, it strikes me that counting the cost in dollars and cents is the least of the question. If you count the cost of what lawless mobs might do, in dollars and cents, you will also find that your total runs away up. If the state constabulary, even at a huge cost for maintenance, can prevent loss of property running into the thousands, to say nothing of the loss of lives, I would consider that almost any sum of initial expenditure were wisely spent."

Governor Bamberger, during his stay in Lansing, where he was making Liberty Loan speeches, went into details as to the method of working out war activities on the part of Michigan. In many respects, he said, the problems which his state had to face were akin to those arising in Michigan. He was much interested in the movements in Michigan for the purchase of seed corn, tractors and other plans by which it is expected to accentuate and increase the crops this year. All of these plans, he said, had been started in Utah, but he was doubly interested to grasp the details of the work in Michigan, and also to see how the plans were working out.

WAR BOARD OFFICES AT LANSING

Those Desiring Information Write to Col. Roy C. Vandercrook, Secretary.

The office of the Michigan War Preparedness Board is located in the capitol at Lansing and any person desiring any information pertaining to the war work in Michigan should write to Col. Roy C. Vandercrook, secretary of the board.

The Kaiser Has Dreamed Again.

The following original effus on on the Kaiser was recently received from Henry C. Howell by his uncle, H. A. Longstreet of Eureka. He has entitled it "A Prescriptive".

Mr. Howell is in the service at Chanute, Kansas with the U. S. Volunteer Public Service Reserve. When Morpheus' soothing wand possesses us,

What fine distinctions rise to bless us With meteoric flight our lyric lore, To heights empyrean soar, With what jagged graphic skill Celestial thoughts within us thrill, And hallowed angels cluster round, In mystic pantomime profound.

The Kaiser with native German thoughts unkinked, Divorced from realizing a dream divine, Lay fitfully slumbering on his war-worn cot,

And dreamed an hallucinating hideous plot. He dreamed he died; cursed by the ranting mob, Torn limb from limb and cast upon the sod;

On him no smiles or tears from any mortal fell, As they flung his hateful carcass into hell.

The devil smiled; with insolent contempt, As he recognized this soul long since exempt. And then he hissed: "I harbor here with me,

The rotten vileness of all humanity. But you're too vile and loathsome to associate With the lowest of he low, on this estate."

He beckoned to old Bismarck; whose pupil Bill had been, And bade him "Kick him out, and lock the door on him."

Cold perspiration streaming from his face, he awoke; And vowed the curse that followed him, he would evoke

On every living mortal, nation, creed or sex, His autocratic tyranny he ruthlessly would vex;

He'd use to turn the trick by any way or means As France and Belgium can attest by their cruel ruthless scenes;

But America joins hearts and hands, to crush this a vicious wrong, And with Old Glory waving, stands 100,000,000 strong.

Government Freight First.

"There is a well defined disposition on the part of the shippers to sink their own peculiar interests in the general good," said H. O. Halsted, General Superintendent of Transportation of the Pere Marquette Railway recently.

"Shippers will call up the office and they will invariably preface a complaint with the remark, 'We know that government shipments have precedence, but we would greatly appreciate anything that can be done to help along that carload of merchandise.'"

"That spirit is the rule, not the exception. All have come to realize that 'winning the war is the paramount issue' and they are gladly making way for more important government traffic."

It is a decided change from the impatience which was shown in the days before America entered the conflict. In the past, no matter what came, what additional effort, what particular attention was given a certain shipment, it was always accepted as a matter of business, and not always appreciated.

"That new spirit is the spirit which will 'win the war,' and incidentally it makes for better service also."

PASSENGER FARES
TO BE BOOSTED
TO THREE CENTSCOSTS ONE CENT MORE PER
MILE TO TRAVEL ON RAIL-
ROADS AFTER JUNE 10.

Commencing June 10, rates of travel on all railroads in the country will be three cents per mile, due to a decision of Director General Wm. G. McAdoo, who finds out that the prevailing rate of two cents per mile will fall far short of meeting expenses during the duration of the war at least.

Freight rates are also increased about one-third and tickets on parlor and sleeping cars are given a substantial boost, but inasmuch as few people in this vicinity are bothered with such inconveniences, we should worry.

The present two cent a mile rate has been in effect for about 10 years past, having become a state law during the administration of Governor Fred M. Warner and it had been, prior to that time, three cents per mile.

The increased rate is made necessary by higher salaries and wages to railroad employees and by other increased operating expenses and will undoubtedly be borne by the public without complaint until after the war.

On and after June 10 be fixed to pay the three cents a mile rate when you go to purchase railroad tickets.

Ladies' Literary Exchange Club.

On Thursday afternoon, May 23, the Ladies' Literary Exchange club met at the home of Mrs. Ellen Lapham.

The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. May L. Smith; secretary's report read and other business of the afternoon taken up. On motion it was decided that the club give \$10 to the present Red Cross drive.

An interesting report was given of "The Community Recreation Movement."

The subject of the "closing day" was taken up and on motion the date was changed to Friday, June 7, so as not to conflict with the county federation meeting which will be held at Saranac on Wednesday, June 5.

On account of illness and absence from town the regular program was necessarily changed. Mrs. Salzman gave the music for the afternoon and by request Mrs. Trull repeated her paper given at a previous meeting, "Michigan Colleges and Universities," followed by a short round table discussion on the subject of colleges and schools.

Adjournment followed a mee' with Mrs. Susie Reed June 7, for closing day, with Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Hubbell as hostesses.

ORLEANS METHODIST CIRCUIT

The people of this charge will meet at Easton church Thursday night for a union prayer service. President Wilson has asked that May 30 be observed as a day of fasting and prayer in the interest of our armies. Those who feel inclined to fast on that day may spend their meal time in special prayer. Every Christian on the charge should be at Easton church at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. J. W. Kennedy will lead the Orleans Epworth League next Sunday evening.

Orleans Sunday school is planning to observe Children's day, June 9.

Warm weather has already affected our crowds somewhat. Dress as comfortably as possible and don't stop for appearances.

About a dozen of our Orleans people went to Belding M. E. church last Tuesday night to hear our district superintendent, Dr. W. H. Phelps, preach.

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